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JUNE 30, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER
FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM
SUBJECT: NOON NOTES

CHOU EN-LAI MEETS THAI PRIME MINISTER IN HOSPITAL: FBIS RE-
PORTS THAT PREMIER CHOU EN-LAI MET WITH PRIME MINISTER
KHUKRIT TODAY IN THE HOSPITAL. THIS IS CONTRARY TO A FRENCH
AGENCY DISPATCH FROM PEKING THAT QUOTED A CHINESE POLITBURO
MEMBER AS SAYING THAT THE PREMIER HAD LEFT THE HOSPITAL. AT-
TENDING THE MEETING WERE PRINCIPAL MEMBERS OF PRIME MINISTER
KHUKRIT PRAMOT'S OFFICIAL PARTY, INCLUDING FOREIGN MINISTER
CHATCHAI CHUNHAWAN. ALSO ATTENDING THE MEETING WERE VICE-
PREMIER TENG HSIAO-PING, FOREIGN MINISTER CHIAO KUAN-HUA,
VICE-FOREIGN MINISTER HAN NIEN-LUNG, DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS
KO HUA AND CHU CHUAN-HSIEN, AND DEPUTY DEPARTMENT DIREC-
TOR CHANG HAN-CHIH. A JOINT ANNOUNCEMENT ESTABLISHING RELA-
TIONS IS EXPECTED BY TUESDAY OR WEDNESDAY.

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[REDACTED] YESTERDAY, THE ISRAELI PRESS ROUNDLY DENOUNCED WHAT IT REGARDS AS U.S. PRESSURE TO FORCE TEL AVIV TO ACCEPT CAIRO'S TERMS FOR ANOTHER INTERIM AGREEMENT. THE U.S., ONE PAPER CHARGED, IS PRESENTING ISRAEL WITH A VIRTUAL ULTIMATUM EITHER TO GIVE UP THE EASTERN END OF THE SINAI PASSES OR RISK "A SERIOUS POLITICAL CONFRONTATION WITH WASHINGTON."

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PERON RISKS MORE TROUBLE WITH WORKERS: PRESIDENT PERON'S DECISION, ANNOUNCED ON SATURDAY, TO RESCIND RECENTLY NEGOTIATED LABOR CONTRACTS RISKS COMPLETELY ALIENATING THE POWERFUL ARGENTINE LABOR MOVEMENT. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IT COULD LEAD TO A RESUMPTION OF THE GENERAL STRIKE THAT OCCURRED LAST FRIDAY AND TO MORE DEMONSTRATIONS. IN A STRONGLY WORDED SPEECH, THE PRESIDENT CRITICIZED ORGANIZED LABOR FOR CONTRIBUTING TO DECLINING PRODUCTION AND GROWING INFLATION. INSTEAD OF PAY INCREASES RANGING UP TO 130 PERCENT THAT THE UNIONS HAD RECENTLY WON, MRS. PERON OFFERED WORKERS A 50 PERCENT INCREASE NOW, AND TWO SUBSEQUENT BOOSTS OF 15 PERCENT EACH TO FOLLOW IN OCTOBER AND JANUARY. THE DECISION LED TO THE RESIGNATION OF THE LABOR MINISTER SHORTLY AFTER THE SPEECH. UNION OFFICIALS HAVE ANNOUNCED THAT THEY WILL MEET TODAY TO DETERMINE THEIR RESPONSE. THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE PRESIDENT MAY RESIGN OR BE FORCED OUT IS DOUBTLESS BEING DISCUSSED IN POLITICAL CIRCLES. A NUMBER OF PERONIST SENATORS HAVE BEEN MEETING TO DISCUSS THE SELECTION OF A NEW SENATE PRESIDENT WHO WOULD BE CONSTITUTIONALLY NEXT IN LINE TO SUCCEED MRS. PERON. FOR THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS, THE POST HAS BEEN LEFT VACANT AT HER INSISTENCE. THE SENATORS REPORTEDLY ARE CONFERRING WITH LABOR LEADERS, WHOSE VIEWS ON A POTENTIAL SUCCESSOR ARE OBVIOUSLY CRUCIAL.

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